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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Jeffrey L. Cleland; Amy Lim; Michael F. Powell

Application No.: 08/846,933

Filed: 4/30/1997

For: **Compositions For Microencapsulation
Of Antigens For Use As Vaccines**

Examiner: Hines, J.

Art Unit: 1645

RESPONSE

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following remarks. The following document(s) are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A petition to extend the period for response by 1 month.

A Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.